

SENATOR AVERY: Thank you. Hold on. One of these short notice. Thank you. Senator Wesely, members, I'm on the wrong page. Just going to have to wait a minute while I find the right page. What this resolution does is talks about the brain-drain. And just the other day, in the paper, many of you might have seen that we have a considerable cost leaving the state in terms of our young people leaving in terms of their profession. And it was, I think, stated in the article that we los...we've lost, in the last five years...or the years from 1985 to '90, when the program...the study was done, about 1.23 billion dollars in personal income because of the brain-drain. So I think it's fitting that we take a step to do what we can in the state to minimize that process. Resolution number 98 is offered and it states, "Whereas all honored students of the University of Nebraska System with a cumulative grade point average of 3.6 or above, including Jeff Kruse, who was honored in an honors convocation in April 1985, and whereas Jeff Kruse is in the interim working...was in the interim working in the Legislature and plans to attend the medical school upon his graduation. Now therefore be it," the resolution, "by the members of the 94th Legislature of Nebraska, First Session, (one) that the Legislature commits itself to working on creating an environment where young people can find employment and stay in the State of Nebraska. And, (two), that a copy of this resolution be sent to the University of Nebraska Lincoln honors program and to Jeff Kruse." Basically that's the resolution.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Senator Avery. We now call on Senator Lindsay to open on LR 100.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, members, LR 100 recognizes the cultural diversity which exists in Nebraska. Nebraska is rich in the amount of diversity that we do have. I just (inaudible) on the floor real quickly, asking a couple of people. We looked at a couple of backgrounds, I think Senator Janssen says Danish and German background, and Senator Vrtiska with a Czech background, Senator Hall, who's kind of a mutt, I guess. (Laughter.) We have...he was paying attention. We do have a richness of cultural diversity here. We need look only to some of the small towns in Nebraska to see how proud they are of their heritage. We need look only to different parts of some of the larger cities that still recognize their backgrounds and their ancestry and are very proud of that. And it's important that the children in Nebraska continue to recognize their